

The Amherst area is rich in cultural institutions, artists and musicians and Amherst Ballet has enjoyed collaborations with a wide variety of them including performances with Layaali Arabic Music Ensemble, Springfield Symphony Orchestra, Pioneer Valley Symphony Orchestra, Smith College Orchestra, Da Camera Singers, Hampshire Choral Society Young People's Chorus as well as with local authors Jane Yolen and Heidi Stemple. Amherst Ballet has worked with composers Karen Tarlow, Ted Trobaugh and John Cooper, visual artist Rebecca Guay and media artist Carlos Fontes. Director Fair collaborated on the libretto for the original ballet Emily of Amherst with Jane Wald, historian and executive director of the Emily Dickinson Museum. Amherst Ballet participates in ballets created by Picture Book Theatre which performs at the Eric Carle Museum of Picture Book Art.

Amherst Ballet has been the recipient of Amherst Cultural Council grants for many years and in 2011 received the Massachusetts Cultural Council's Gold Star Award, one of only 6 in the commonwealth, in recognition of its success integrating arts into the community. Amherst Ballet has given special performances upon invitation including excerpts from *The Nutcracker* and *Chopiniana* with the Pioneer Valley Symphony, *Peter and the Wolf* with the Smith College Orchestra and Bob McGrath from *Sesame Street*, *The Arctic* at American International College in Springfield, *The Firebird* with the Springfield Symphony Orchestra, *The Nutcracker* with the Moscow Ballet and Emily of Amherst at the New York Botanical Garden.

Amherst Ballet has produced dancers who have joined professional companies including Pacific Northwest Ballet, New York City Ballet, Merce Cunningham, Omaha Ballet, Greater Houston Civic Ballet, Charleston Ballet Theatre, Hoehcher Ballet (Germany), Ballet Contemporain de Bruxelles, Delia Stewart Jazz Company, Luis Fuente's Ballet Company (Spain), Rachel Lampert Company and Mixed Company (New York City). Amherst Ballet students who audition for residential and summer programs are routinely accepted to them including programs at Alvin Ailey, American Academy of Ballet, American Ballet Theatre Company, Boston Ballet, Joffrey Ballet School, Kaatsbaan International Dance Center, Kirov Academy, North Carolina School for the Arts, Nutmeg Conservatory, Richmond Ballet and Walnut Hill School.

On this day it is my honor to recognize their hard work and to present them to this body as an institution that truly serves and benefits our Union.

IN RECOGNITION OF CAPTAIN  
HARRY ANDERSON

**HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, January 18, 2012*

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of the 102nd birthday of Captain Harry Anderson who celebrated his birthday on October 5, 2011.

Captain Anderson was born in Sweden on October 5, 1909. He emigrated to the United States at the age of ten in 1919. He had a passion for the sea at an early age and

served as a Second Mate with the United States Merchant Marines during World War II. He eventually became a Captain with the Cleveland Cliffs in 1963 where he was Master of the Cliffs Victory, the Cadillac, the Frontenac, the LaSalle, the Pontiac, and Walter A. Sterling, the Edward B. Greene and the William G. Mather. He retired as a Captain from the Cleveland Cliffs in 1974.

Following his retirement, Captain Anderson spent his time volunteering on the William G. Mather, which was docked as a museum on the shores of Lake Erie in downtown Cleveland. He is the oldest member of the International Shipmasters Association's Cleveland Lodge Number 4.

Mr. Speaker and colleagues, please join me in recognizing Captain Harry Anderson and wishing him a happy 102nd birthday.

HONORING THE SERVICE OF HIS  
EXCELLENCY, DR. JAMALUDIN  
JARJIS, AMBASSADOR OF MA-  
LAYSIA TO THE UNITED STATES

**HON. ENI F.H. FALEOMAVAEGA**

OF AMERICAN SAMOA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, January 18, 2012*

Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA. Mr. Speak, as the former Chairman and current Ranking Member of the Foreign Affairs' Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific, which has broad jurisdiction for U.S. policy affecting the region, including Malaysia, I rise today to honor the service of my good friend, His Excellency Dr. Jamaludin Jarjis, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Malaysia to the United States.

Dr. Jamaludin has served his country and ours with remarkable distinction which merits historical recognition in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD. A prominent political and corporate figure in the U.S. and Malaysia, Dr. Jamaludin is a Member of Parliament and has represented Rompin, Pahang since 1990. He is also an elected member of the UMNO Supreme Council.

In 2002, Dr. Jamaludin joined the Malaysian Cabinet as Second Finance Minister. He also served as Minister of Domestic Trade and Consumer Affairs, and Minister of Science, Technology and Innovation.

Dr. Jamaludin began his career as a lecturer at University Technology Malaysia (UTM) and in 1984 started his own consultancy services, specializing in electrical power and mechanical engineering. He later became Chairman of Malaysia's national power utility, Tenaga Nasional Berhad (TNB), which is the largest listed company on the Kuala Lumpur Stock Exchange (KLSE) in terms of market capitalization.

Dr. Jamaludin holds a Bachelor of Science (First Class Honours) in Electrical Engineering from the University of Manchester, Institute of Science and Technology (UMIST), United Kingdom; a Masters Degree of Science in Electrical Engineering from the University of Manitoba, Canada; and a PhD in Electrical Engineering (Power System) from the University of McGill, Canada.

Among his many accomplishments, Dr. Jamaludin is also married to Dr. Kalsom Ismail and they have four children. While I extend to Ambassador Jamaludin and his family my highest regards and well wishes, I am pleased

that Ambassador Jamaludin has been appointed to serve as Special Envoy to the United States.

Because of his tenure as Ambassador, U.S.-Malaysian relations are stronger than ever. Economic ties are robust, and the U.S. and Malaysia cooperate closely on security matters, including regional stability. With his new appointment as Special Envoy, we can be assured that our partnership will continue to grow, and I look forward to continuing my association with Dr. Jamaludin who is to be commended for his loyalty in discharging his duties for and on behalf of Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak and the people of Malaysia.

IN MEMORY OF GENE HUFF

**HON. HAROLD ROGERS**

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, January 18, 2012*

Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a great leader, public servant, and an inspiration, Gene Huff.

Although he was born and raised in Ohio, Gene Huff planted his home in London, Kentucky, where he raised his family and pastored the First Pentecostal Church for 25 years. When he retired in 1994, he took the Great Commission to the airwaves with the launch of a 50,000-watt Christian Radio Station, WYGE. In combination with his desire to communicate, his passion for public service expanded beyond the stained glass windows, into the state capitol.

Gene was successfully elected to two terms in the Kentucky House of Representatives before he was elected in 1971 to the state Senate where he spent more than 22 years. During that time, he stood firm on conservative principles, representing his constituents with great honor and loyalty.

Gene Huff leaves behind a devoted family: his loving wife of nearly 60 years, Ethel Dayberry Huff, five children, 19 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren, with more on the way. My wife, Cynthia and I extend our deepest heartfelt sympathies to the Huff family.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring a divine public leader and minister of God, the late Gene Huff.

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JANUARY 9, 2012

**HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, January 18, 2012*

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I submit the following. My name is DENNIS KUCINICH, K-U-C-I-N-I-C-H. Oh, and also, one other, n-o. I'm here as the Congressional Representative of the people of this area. I'm also here as the ranking Democrat in the United States Congress and the subcommittee that has jurisdiction over the EPA. I want to state for the record that regarding some of the questions that have been asked here, (I'm) totally dissatisfied with the way that this process has been conducted. The community has not been involved but it will be involved, I can promise you.